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CLERK ADAMS MUST GO!

To trade off Clerk ADAMS, who once

was the blue for a Greenbacker, who once

was a characteristic thing for the Greybacks

to do.

Is there any other available or eligible

Republican than General GRANT who can,

as our candidate for President next year,

break up the Solid South?

THE Confederate-Democratic declaration

that JEFF DAVIS is the peer of any man on

the floor of the Senate, has not had a very

soothing effect in the North.

NEXT Monday there will be held a great

many municipal elections in Maine. It

remains to be seen how far the Republicans

have recovered from their September rout.

Who will succeed GLOVER? It isn't possible

that the Democrats in the next Con-

gress are to be permitted to rest free from the

blundering exposures of some one of their

own investigators.

BEN BUTLER is now a private citizen, the

equal of DENNIS KEARNEY in all respects

save political influence. And it must be

remembered it was KEARNEY's "polite" "en-

fellowship" that accomplished this leveling

result.

AND now the Democrats propose to sacri-

fice Clerk ADAMS to the Greenbackers.

They say they are willing to give the Na-

tionals the clerkship of the next House in

return for their support of the regular Demo-

cratic nominee for Speaker.

THE Democrats don't shout Reform so

vigorously as they did a few months ago.

The translation of the ephialdis dispatches

served to reform the hidden meanings of

their corruptious into blaring letters of in-

famy. But they are bent on vindication!

THE New York Tribune epitomizes the

real character and policy of the Democratic

party in this wise: "In every struggle for

the purity of elections thus far the Demo-

cratic party has been on the side of those

who wished to rob the people by fraud at

elections."

Is a little more than a year's time the

country will be engaged in another great

national struggle. The political events of

the coming extra session cannot fail to exert

a fresh or immediate influence upon it. This

fact is not altogether discouraging to the

Republican party.

HENDRICK B. WRIGHT, the breadwinner of

Pennsylvania, on his recent return to

Wilkesbarre, was met by a brass band, and

made a speech, in which he said Senator

WALLACE has no more brains than a peo-

cock. That makes it bad for WALLACE, for

WRIGHT knows.

If JEFF DAVIS is to be elected to succeed

Senator BRUCE in 1881—and there is no

doubt of that result—he will be sworn in on

the 4th of March of that year. The inaugu-

ration of President GRANT at the same

time, hour, and place would serve to adjust

the eternal fitness of things.

ACCORDING to the figures paraded or an-

nounced in the hotel lobbies the number of

Democratic members pledged to vote against

SAM RANDALL exceeds the strength of that

party in the next House and its entire mem-

bership by several hundred. But RANDALL

will be elected nevertheless.

A NUMBER of Democratic Congressmen

elect are announced to arrive in Washing-

ton within a few days. Some of our hands

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